

RELIGIOUS PROPERTY MATRIX

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- INMATES ARE ONLY PERMITTED PERSONAL RELIGIOUS ITEMS LISTED IN THIS MATRIX. FACILITIES MAY SUBMIT REQUESTS TO BE EXEMPTED FROM THE RELIGIOUS PROPERTY ITEMS DETAILED IN THIS MATRIX. REQUESTS SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE STANDARDIZED PROCEDURES UNIT WITH A COPY TO THE APPROPRIATE MISSION BASED ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR. ALL REQUESTS MUST INCLUDE RATIONALE AND SUPPORTING DATA. EXEMPTIONS SHALL BE GRANTED ONLY IN RARE INSTANCES, IF AT ALL, BASED ON A COMPELLING INSTITUTIONAL NEED.
- INMATES ARE PERMITTED TO WEAR AND OR POSSESS SOLID COLORED PERSONAL RELIGIOUS CLOTHING ITEMS ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED.
- INMATES ARE PROHIBITED FROM POSSESSING, USING, OR WEARING PERSONAL RELIGIOUS CLOTHING ITEMS IN ANY SHADE OF GREEN, BLACK, BROWN, TAN, RED, OR BLUE UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED. MULTICOLORED ITEMS SHALL NOT APPEAR TO BE PREDOMINANTLY ONE OF THE RESTRICTED COLORS PREVIOUSLY LISTED.
- INMATES ARE PROHIBITED FROM POSSESSING, USING, OR WEARING PERSONAL RELIGIOUS CLOTHING ITEMS WITH HOODS, PICTURES, DECORATIVE ZIPPERS, INSIDE POCKETS, OR ZIPPERED POCKETS.
- INMATES ARE PROHIBITED FROM POSSESSING, USING, OR WEARING ANY ITEMS WITH ANY DESIGN, SIGN, SYMBOL, OR ILLUSTRATION IDENTIFIED AS BEING ASSOCIATED WITH A SECURITY THREAT GROUP.
- ALL INMATES ARE PROHIBITED FROM POSSESSING, USING, OR WEARING ANY ITEMS WHICH ARE OBSCENE, AS DESCRIBED IN CCR, TITLE 15 SECTION 3008, OR WHICH HAVE LOGOS, CODED MESSAGES, LETTERING, PICTURES WHICH ADVERTISE OR DEPICT ALCOHOL, SECURITY THREAT GROUPS, PROFANITY, SEX, WEAPONS, DRUGS, OR DRUG PARAPHERNALIA.
- THE RELIGIOUS PROPERTY MATRIX APPLIES TO BOTH MALE AND FEMALE INMATES, AND REFLECTS PERSONAL RELIGIOUS PROPERTY THAT INMATES MAY POSSESS. CONGREGATE/GROUP RELIGIOUS ITEMS WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE LOCAL RELIGIOUS REVIEW COMMITTEE.
- MALE INMATES SHALL NOT RECEIVE OR POSSESS PERSONAL RELIGIOUS CLOTHING ITEMS DESIGNED AND MANUFACTURED SPECIFICALLY FOR WOMEN UNLESS AUTHORIZED FOR MEDICAL REASONS.
- DETERMINATIONS CONCERNING RELIGIOUS PROPERTY ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL INMATES IN SPECIALIZED HOUSING UNITS (ASU/PSU/SHU) MAY BE MADE ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS BASED UPON THE INMATE'S BEHAVIOR/MENTAL HEALTH STATUS/SAFETY/SECURITY NEEDS. DECISIONS MUST BE APPROVED BY THE RESPECTIVE HIRING AUTHORITIES OR DESIGNEES.

Item Description With additional requirements and restrictions.	General Population			ASU/ PSU/SHU
	PRIVILEGE GROUP			
	A	B	C	D
ALTAR CLOTH - Maximum size 24" x 24". One item per inmate. White or light gray only.	1	1	1	0
ASSORTED HERBS - Mint, Cedar, Lavender, Sweet Grass, and Sage. Herb orders shall not exceed one ounce per quarter. Combined total quantity limited to four ounces or less at any time.	4 OZ	4 OZ	4 OZ	0
BEADED HEAD BAND, WRIST BAND, AND CHOKER - Shall be multicolored. One of each item per inmate.	1	1	1	0
BOWLS - 4" diameter wood or plastic.	1	1	1	0
CHALK - Limited to one box containing 12 sticks of white non toxic chalk.	1	1	1	0
RELIGIOUS MEDALLION AND CHAIN – Chain/Sinew/Leather not to exceed 24" in length, medallion shall not exceed 1.5" in diameter, obtainable as a set only, value not to exceed \$100. One set per inmate.	1	1	1	1
DREAM CATCHER - Sinew/simulated sinew hoop shall not exceed 4".	1	1	1	0
FEATHERS - Bird feathers are allowed up to a maximum length of 12". Feathers from an eagle may be obtained only via the U.S. Department of the Interior.	6	6	6	0
HEAD GEAR – Males - Including, but not limited to: Yarmulke (kippah), Kufi, Bandana, Fez, Patka, Rastafarian Crown. Maximum size 24" x 24". Two per inmate. White, gray, or multicolored (no red or blue).	2	2	2	2
HEAD GEAR – Females - Including, but not limited to: Scarf, Hijab, Bandana. Maximum size 24" x 24". Two per inmate. White, gray, or multicolored (no red or blue).	2	2	2	2
MEDICINE BAG - Shall not exceed 2" x 3". Soft leather or other natural material without a liner.	1	1	1	0
MISWAK - Small twig, not to exceed 7½", used for oral hygiene.	1	1	1	0
POWDERS - (Drawing powder). Limited to eggshell powder. Orders shall not exceed one ounce per quarter. Total quantity limited to four ounces or less at any time.	4 OZ	4 OZ	4 OZ	0
PRAYER BEADS - e.g., Mala, Dhikr, or Rosary. Wood or plastic only. Chain, Sinew, or String not to exceed 24". Not to exceed \$25.00 in value.	1	1	1	1
PRAYER/HOLY CARDS - Not to exceed 4" x 6".	10	10	10	0
PRAYER OIL - (Non alcoholic/non flammable oil). Allowable fragrances include: Kyphi, Frankinmyrrh, Sage, Cedar, Musk, and Lavender. Orders shall not exceed one ounce per quarter. Combined total quantity limited to four ounces or less at any time.	4 OZ	4 OZ	4 OZ	0
PRAYER RUG - 28" x 48" or smaller. Rug may be multicolored (no red or blue).	1	1	1	1
PRAYER SHAWL (TALLIT) – White or light gray only.	1	1	1	1

RUNE TILES/COWRIE SHELLS - Runes/Cowrie shells shall not to exceed ¾" x ¾". One set per inmate with instruction book. Set shall not exceed 25 pieces. Runes shall be wood or plastic.	1 SET	1 SET	1 SET	0
SEA SALT - White or black. Combined total quantity limited to four ounces or less at any time.	4 OZ	4 OZ	4 OZ	0
STONES - Set of 5, no larger than 1" in diameter, or set of 10, no larger than ½" in diameter.	1 SET	1 SET	1 SET	0
TALLIT KATAN/TSITSIT - Worn under one's shirt. White or light gray only.	1	1	1	1
TAROT/DIVINATION/RUNECARDS - One set/deck per inmate.	1 SET	1 SET	1 SET	0
WAND - Soft wood, not to exceed 7½" long by ½" wide. If soft material is unavailable a pliable twig may be utilized.	1	1	1	0